



Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights

**LIST OF EXPERTS  
FOR THE HUMAN DIMENSION MECHANISM  
APPOINTED BY OSCE PARTICIPATING STATES**

**AS OF 15 SEPTEMBER 2020**

**AUSTRIA**

**Mr. Wolfgang BENEDEK**

University Professor ret. of International Law  
University of Graz

*Appointed from 15 June 2020 for three years (renewed term)  
Term expires 14 June 2023*

**Mr. Christoph BEZEMEK**

Dean of the Law Faculty  
University of Graz

*Appointed from 15 June 2020 for three years (renewed term)  
Term expires 14 June 2023*

**Ms. Ursula KRIEBAUM**

University Professor of International Law  
University of Vienna

*Appointed from 15 June 2020 for three years (renewed term)  
Term expires 14 June 2023*

**Mr. Joseph MARKO**

University Professor of Comparative Public Law  
University of Graz

*Appointed from 15 June 2020 for three years (renewed term)  
Term expires 14 June 2023*

**Ms. Katharina PABEL**

University Professor of European and International Law  
Vienna University of Economics and Business

*Appointed from 15 June 2020 for three years (renewed term)  
Term expires 14 June 2023*

**Ms. Elisabeth STEINER**

Former Judge at the European Court of Human Rights

*Appointed from 15 June 2020 for three years (renewed term)  
Term expires 14 June 2023*

## **BELGIUM**

### **Prof. Jan VELAERS**

Full Professor at the Law Faculty, University of Antwerp

Member of the Venice Commission (since 2006)

*Appointed from 19 May 2020 for three years (renewed term)*

*Term expires 18 May 2023*

## **CANADA**

### **Ms. Sharryn J. AIKEN**

Associate Professor, Faculty of Law

Queen's University

*Appointed from 27 July 2017 for five years*

*Term expires 26 July 2022\**

### **Ms. Pearl ELIADIS**

Human rights lawyer

President of Human Rights Committee, Barreau du Québec

*Appointed from 27 July 2017 for five years*

*Term expires 26 July 2022\**

### **Mr. Ken NORMAN**

Emeritus Professor, College of Law

University of Saskatchewan

*Appointed from 27 July 2017 for five years*

*Term expires 26 July 2022\**

### **Mr. David PETRASEK**

Associate Professor

Graduate School of Public and International Affairs

*Appointed from 27 July 2017 for five years*

*Term expires 26 July 2022\**

### **Mr. Craig SCOTT**

Professor of Law

Osgoode Hall Law School of York University

*Appointed from 27 July 2017 for five years*

*Term expires 26 July 2022\**

## **DENMARK**

### **Mr. Jonas CHRISTOFFERSEN**

Executive Director, Danish Institute for Human Rights

*Appointed from 29 November 2016 for six years*

*Term expires 28 November 2022\**

**Ms. Louise HOLCK**

Deputy Executive Director, Danish Institute for Human Rights  
*Appointed from 29 November 2016 for six years*  
*Term expires 28 November 2022\**

**Mr. Jacob MCHANGAMA**

Founder and Executive Director, Justicia  
*Appointed from 29 November 2016 for six years*  
*Term expires 28 November 2022\**

**Ms. Therese RYTTER**

Director of Legal and Advocacy Department, DIGNITY  
Member of Committee for the Prevention of Torture (CPT)  
*Appointed from 29 November 2016 for six years*  
*Term expires 28 November 2022\**

**Professor Jørn VESTERGAARD**

Faculty of Law, Copenhagen University  
*Appointed from 29 November 2016 for six years*  
*Term expires 28 November 2022\**

**GERMANY**

**Dr. Alex BERG**

Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany in Norway  
*Appointed from 6 August 2018 for three years (renewed term)*  
*Term expires 5 August 2021*

**Ms. Sabine LEUTHEUSSER-SCHNARRENBERGER**

Former Federal Minister of Justice  
*Appointed from 6 August 2018 for three years (renewed term)*  
*Term expires 5 August 2021*

**Prof. Dr. Beate RUDOLF**

Director, German Institute for Human Rights  
*Appointed from 6 August 2018 for three years (renewed term)*  
*Term expires 5 August 2021*

**Prof. Dr. Andreas ZIMMERMANN**

Professor of Public Law, University of Potsdam  
*Appointed from 6 August 2018 for three years (renewed term)*  
*Term expires 5 August 2021*

## ITALY

### **Ms. Laura GUERCIO**

Professor, University of Perugia, “International Cooperation and Development” and “Sociology of Fundamental Rights”

(Former) Italian appointee to the Management Board of the European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights

(Former) Secretary General of the Inter-Ministerial Committee for Human Rights at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of Italy

*Appointed from 16 July 2020 for six years (renewed term)*

*Term expires 15 July 2026*

### **Ms. Isabella ORFANO**

Women’s Rights Programme Expert, ActionAid Italia

(Former) Expert/Consultant with the OSCE Office of the Special Representative and Coordinator for Combating Trafficking in Human Beings

*Appointed from 16 July 2020 for six years (renewed term)*

*Term expires 15 July 2026*

## LIECHTENSTEIN

### **Dr. phil. Wilfried MARXER**

Senior Research Fellow/ Head of Research Politics, Liechtenstein-Institut (Bendern, Liechtenstein)

*Appointed from 1 July 2020 for three years (renewed term)*

*Term expires 30 June 2023*

## POLAND

### **Prof. Michał BALCERZAK**

Professor, Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń

Human Rights Department

*Appointed from 28 March 2017 for six years*

*Term expires 27 March 2023\**

### **Prof. Zbigniew CIEŚLAK**

Professor, University Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński in Warsaw

Head of the Department of Administrative Science and Environmental Protection

Member of the National Election Commission

Retired judge of the Constitutional Tribunal

*Appointed from 28 March 2017 for six years*

*Term expires 27 March 2023\**

### **Prof. Elżbieta KARSKA**

Professor, University Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński in Warsaw

Head of the Institute of International Law, European Union and International Relations

*Appointed from 28 March 2017 for six years*

*Term expires 27 March 2023\**

**Prof. Hubert KRÓLIKOWSKI**

Professor, Jagiellonian University in Krakow  
Department of Political and International Studies Faculty  
Deputy Director of Military Foreign Affairs Department, Ministry of National  
Defence

*Appointed from 28 March 2017 for six years*

*Term expires 27 March 2023\**

**Dr. Agnieszka RYMSZA**

Advisor to the Secretary of State, Government Plenipotentiary for Civil Society and  
Equal Treatment, the Chancellery of the Prime Minister

*Appointed from 28 March 2017 for six years*

*Term expires 27 March 2023\**

**RUSSIAN FEDERATION**

**Ms. Elena AGAPOVA**

Deputy Chairperson of the Imperial Orthodox Palestinian Society  
Member of the OSCE/ODIHR Panel of Experts on Freedom of Religion or Belief

*Appointed from 5 June 2020 for six years (renewed term)*

*Term expires 4 June 2026*

**Professor Alexey AVTONOMOV**

Chief Research Fellow of the Institute of State and Law of the Russian Academy of  
Science

Member of the UN Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (2003–  
present)

Personal Representative of the OSCE Chairperson-in-Office on Combatting Racism,  
Xenophobia and Discrimination, also focusing on Intolerance and Discrimination against  
Christians and Members of other Religions (2014–2015)

*Appointed from 5 June 2020 for six years (renewed term)*

*Term expires 4 June 2026*

**SLOVENIA**

**Dr. Sara BREZIGAR**

Scientific Researcher  
Institute for Ethnic Studies in Ljubljana

*Appointed from 23 February 2017 for six years*

*Term expires 22 February 2023\**

**Dr. Danijel GRAFENAUER**

Scientific Fellow  
Institute for Ethnic Studies in Ljubljana

*Appointed from 23 February 2017 for six years*

*Term expires 22 February 2023\**

**Dr. Neža KOGOVŠEK ŠALAMON**

Director and Researcher

Peace Institute – Institute for Contemporary Social and Political Studies

*Appointed from 23 February 2017 for six years*

*Term expires 22 February 2023\**

**Dr. Petra ROTER**

Associate Professor of International Relations, University of Ljubljana

President of the Advisory Committee of the Framework Convention for the Protection of National Minorities (2016–2018)

*Appointed from 23 February 2017 for six years*

*Term expires 22 February 2023\**

**Dr. Vasilka SANCIN**

Associate Professor, University of Ljubljana

Head of the Department of International Law

Director of the Institute for International Law and International Relations

*Appointed from 23 February 2017 for six years*

*Term expires 22 February 2023\**

**SWITZERLAND**

**Ms. Eva Maria BESLER**

Professor of Constitutional and Administrative Law, Human Rights and Democracy

University of Fribourg

*Appointed from 15 May 2017 for six years*

*Term expires 14 May 2023\**

**Mr. Oliver DIGGELMANN**

Professor of International Law, European Law, Public Law and Staatsphilosophie

University of Zurich

*Appointed from 15 May 2017 for six years (renewed term)*

*Term expires 14 May 2023*

**Ms. Christine KADDOUS**

Professor of EU and International Law, University of Geneva

Director of the Center for European Studies

*Appointed from 15 May 2017 for six years (renewed term)*

*Term expires 14 May 2023*

**Mr. Nicolas LEVRAT**

Professor of Law, University of Geneva

*Appointed from 15 May 2017 for six years (renewed term)*

*Term expires 14 May 2023*

**Mr. Marco SASSOLI**

Professor of International Law, University of Geneva

*Appointed from 15 May 2017 for six years (renewed term)*

*Term expires 14 May 2023*

**Ms. Barbara WILSON**  
Professor of International Public Law  
University of Lausanne  
*Appointed from 15 May 2017 for six years*  
*Term expires 14 May 2023\**

## UNITED STATES

**Mr. Paolo CAROZZA**  
Department of State's Commission on Unalienable Rights  
U.S. Member to the Venice Commission  
Director of the Kellogg Institute for International Studies  
Notre Dame University  
*Appointed from 21 July 2020 for three years*  
*Term expires 20 July 2023\**

**Ms. Mary Ann GLENDON**  
Chair of the Department of State's Commission on Unalienable Rights  
Learned Hand Professor of Law, Harvard University  
*Appointed from 21 July 2020 for three years*  
*Term expires 20 July 2023\**

**Mr. James P. KELLY, III**  
U.S. Substitute Member to the Vienna Commission  
President of Solidarity Center for Law and Justice, P.C  
*Appointed from 21 July 2020 for three years*  
*Term expires 20 July 2023\**

**Mr. David H. MOORE**  
University Professor of law, Brigham Young University Law School  
Associate Director of the International Center for Law and Religion Studies  
*Appointed from 21 July 2020 for three years*  
*Term expires 20 July 2023\**

**Mr. Pierre-Richard PROSPER**  
Former United States Ambassador-at-Large for War Crimes Issues  
Former special counsel and policy adviser on war crime issues in the Office of the  
Secretary of State  
Arendt Fox, LLP  
*Appointed from 21 July 2020 for three years*  
*Term expires 20 July 2023\**

**Dr. Katrina Lantos SWETT**  
Chair of the U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom (USCIRF)  
Department of State's Commission on Unalienable Rights  
President of the Lantos Foundation for Human Rights and Justice  
Tufts University  
*Appointed from 21 July 2020 for three years*  
*Term expires 20 July 2023\**

*\* denotes eligibility for reappointment upon expiry of current term*